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## RACE PROGRESS IN KENTUCKY

Hopkinsville Noted For Large  
Number of Business Men.

### PETER POSTELL'S FORTUNE.

Brief Account of What Some of Our  
Enterprising Citizens Are Doing in  
Flourishing Little Town in the Blue  
Grass State—Cordial Relations Be-  
tween the People.

Hopkinsville, Ky., one of the most  
enterprising little towns in the south,  
boasts of a large number of Afro-  
Americans who are in every way keep-  
ing pace with the progressive spirit of  
the times. There is a large number of  
men in the town whose names for a  
long period of years have been of  
worldwide fame.

The influence of the Postell family  
has for years been of widespread sig-  
nificance. Although the founder of the  
family fortunes, Peter Postell, Sr., has  
been dead for twelve years, the fortune  
which he amassed is kept intact, and  
the family estate is easily one of the  
most productive in the community.

Peter Postell, Jr., the well known  
business man of today, keeps alive the  
luster of the family name and has no  
equal for progressive ideas and enthu-  
siastic conduct in business affairs of  
the community. Nero Kirkpatrick, the  
brother of Peter Postell, Sr., is rich in  
his own name and, with the younger  
Postell, maintains a lucrative business  
in the Postell block.

In recent years another and younger  
set of men has arisen, who have taken  
up the lead set by their seniors. One  
rejoices in the business establishment  
of E. G. Lamb, the jeweler; in the  
bustling ability displayed in the last  
few years by D. S. Stewart, the rapid  
rise of a score of young men such as  
James M. Moore, Robert Waters, R. A.  
Phipps, John Buckner, Henry Moore,  
Esq.; Ned and John Bronaugh, Charlie  
Lynch, C. W. Merriweather, J. T. Whit-  
ney, William Knight and a host of  
others and cannot but applaud the re-  
markable spirit displayed by the Ne-



WALTER ROBINSON, ESQ.

gro citizens of Hopkinsville in the con-  
stant patronage they give to the busi-  
ness men of the race.

In this connection it would be well  
to call attention to the success attain-  
ed by T. Walter Robinson, a young  
and promising lawyer, who bids fair  
to stand in the place of pre-eminence  
occupied by the late Robert N. Lan-  
der. As a fearless, brave and con-  
scientious lawyer Mr. Robinson might  
be considered his protegee.

He succeeded not only to Mr. Lan-  
der's good will, but was bequeathed  
his valuable library and enters the  
profession as his one disciple. Mr.  
Robinson passed the Kentucky exami-  
nation with credit and has already  
won one or two very important cases.  
The people of Christian county impose  
remarkable confidence in him.

That he will eventually be a great  
success goes without saying. He has  
served successfully and satisfactorily  
as a teacher in the county for a num-  
ber of years and has a wide acquaint-  
ance. He is straight politically and  
in every campaign is in demand as a  
speaker who can convince his hearers  
of the wisdom of the cause he advo-  
cates.

More Negroes own property in Hop-  
kinsville than in any other town of its  
size in the country. Some of the in-  
dividuals have large holdings, with rent  
rolls that make a comfortable income.  
Among them are E. W. Glass, Rev.  
John Moore, the Postell estate, Peter  
Postell, Jr., Lucian Dade, Andrew  
Wim, Dr. J. R. Duncan, Dr. J. C.  
Lyte, John Knight, Mrs. Carrie Brent,  
Rev. Edward Williams, Nero Kirkpat-  
rick and George A. Leavell, while  
hundreds of individuals own comfort-  
able and well appointed homes.

As executive secretary to John B.  
Atkinson, the wealthy coal operator  
and railroad magnate, Phil H. Brown,  
well known in many centers as a jour-  
nalist, holds one of the most impor-  
tant positions in the state. He work-  
ed his way into Mr. Atkinson's con-  
fidence by his pronounced editorials in  
the Morning News on labor matters  
and has since that time served him  
well and with apparent satisfaction.

A visit to Hopkinsville would con-  
vince one beyond a doubt of the su-  
periority of the community, as far as  
its Negro citizens are concerned, who  
would not only be struck with the  
progress displayed, but with the cor-  
diality that exists between the races  
and with the strong force the Negro  
leaders have in county and city pol-  
itics.

### ST. MONICA'S MISSION.

Another Roman Catholic Church in the  
West For Afro-Americans.

Within the past decade the Roman  
Catholic church in the United States  
has gained a large following among  
Afro-Americans. New impetus was  
given in this direction in the early  
spring of this year by Father John  
E. Burke, director general of the  
Catholic board for mission work among  
Afro-Americans throughout the coun-  
try.

It is Father Burke's aim to raise  
\$100,000 annually until a sufficient  
number of suitable edifices shall have  
been erected for worship and for the  
maintenance of schools for the educa-  
tion of those who are to study for the  
priesthood and subsequently become  
leaders in the work among Afro-Ameri-  
cans.

There has been a Roman Catholic  
church for our people in St. Louis,  
Mo., for the past twenty-five years.  
Another was opened in a cottage in  
Kansas City, Mo., the latter part of Oc-  
tober. It is stated that a new edifice  
will soon be erected in its stead at a  
cost of \$30,000.

Miss Katherine Drexel of Philadel-  
phia recently gave \$8,000 toward the  
sum necessary for the erection of the  
new building. This enabled Father  
Burke and those associated with him  
to begin the work in Kansas City  
sooner than was expected.

In speaking of the possibilities of the  
movement, Father Burke says the Ne-  
gro needs the Catholic church and it is  
our duty to convert and educate him.  
The church in Kansas City will be  
known for the time being as St. Moni-  
ca's mission.

### THE NEED OF ORGANIZATION.

Hon. George McAneny Gives Race  
Some Sound Advice.

Speaking at the National Negro Busi-  
ness league in New York last August,  
Borough President George McAneny  
said:

"For a long time past it has seemed  
to me that in addition to such ben-  
eficial organizations as this the col-  
ored people of the United States ought  
to have a strong national committee  
of their own."

"Their white friends could direct  
their energies and their friends' en-  
ergies toward the preservation of their  
liberties and the fighting of their  
wrongs, precisely as there have been  
steering committees for the Irish peo-  
ple and for the Poles of Prussia."

### BAR ASSOCIATION HONORS MEMORY OF EDWARD BROWN

Richmond (Va.) Attorneys Show Re-  
spect For Law Library Assistant.

By N. BARNETT DODSON.

The actions of the bar of Richmond,  
Va., in calling a special meeting for  
the purpose of passing a set of resolu-  
tions in honor of Edward Brown, late  
janitor and assistant in the state law  
library, show the high esteem in which  
he was held.

Mr. Brown had held the position for  
over forty years. During that time  
he proved himself to be a man of  
worth, honesty and intelligence. It is  
related of him that he could put his  
hand on any book in the library, at  
once when called for by any one of the  
many persons who made use of the  
library.

The white people of Richmond who  
knew him showed him the very high-  
est respect, and no favor which Mr.  
Brown desired of any of them would  
be withheld when asked for. When we  
consider that the bar association of  
Richmond is composed solely of white  
men it is easy to see the high honor  
conferred upon the deceased by south-  
ern white men of influence and high  
standing in the community.

Mr. Brown was always courteous,  
obliging and respectful to those whom  
he served in the line of duty. He  
perhaps knew more public men of  
wealth and position than any other  
man of our race in the city of Rich-  
mond. Governors, educators, senators  
and representatives of the lower house  
were among his daily companions, as it  
were, while in the performance of  
their duty as state and city officials.

In thus honoring the memory of one  
who faithfully performed his duty in  
life the lawyers at the Richmond bar  
reflect honor upon the community and  
at the same time prove themselves to  
be men of broad sympathies, possess-  
ing at the same time a high sense of  
duty and humanitarian virtues.

### True Reformers in Difficulty.

According to information received  
from Washington, Nov. 2, the insur-  
ance officials of the District of Colum-  
bia have suspended the license of the  
Grand Fountain of the United Order  
of True Reformers, pending the res-  
toration of its license by the state of  
Virginia.

The association has been doing busi-  
ness in Washington for a number of  
years. It has seventy-eight lodges in  
the District, with 1,818 members, and,  
according to a statement filed with  
the Washington officials, owns property  
valued at \$80,000.

### The Question of Citizenship.

The question of citizenship in the  
United States, like the question of  
slavery was, must sooner or later be  
forced to a successful and final con-  
clusion, says N. Barnett Dodson.

The influx of foreigners and their anxiety  
to become naturalized, hold office and  
help to dictate the policy of the gov-  
ernment are problems which the Unit-  
ed States cannot ignore. In the final  
analysis all citizens must have voice,  
right and protection guaranteed to  
them by the constitution.

## MAN OF STATE WIDE REPUTE

Influence of G. W. Franklin as  
Business Man and Leader.

### BENEFACTOR OF HIS RACE.

Story of the Achievements of a Self-  
Made Man Who Believes in the Time-  
Honored Principles of Honesty, Per-  
severance and Efficiency—Has High  
Commercial Rating.

The successful career of G. W.  
Franklin, who is in many respects the  
most successful of our business men  
in Chattanooga, Tenn., should well  
serve as a distinct inspiration and en-  
couragement to the thousands of young  
men and women of the race in enter-  
ing upon their life's work.

Mr. Franklin's career is in all essen-  
tials that of the self-made man. He  
has been in business for about twenty-  
six years, fifteen of which have been  
spent in Chattanooga. In the whole  
state of Tennessee there is not a man  
who has a higher commercial rating



G. W. FRANKLIN.

or who enjoys the confidence of the  
financial men and institutions of the  
community more than he.

His immediate activities are centered  
in the large undertaking establishment  
which he conducts in Chattanooga.  
But besides this establishment he has  
large real estate interests, owning  
more than fifteen houses and lots and  
having recently disposed of a lot in  
the heart of the city for \$14,000.

Besides this valuable realty in Chat-  
tanooga, Mr. Franklin owns two very  
profitable farms, one of which he con-  
ducts himself and the other being  
rented out to white tenants on a profit-  
able basis.

Mr. Franklin has a large force of  
employees, and his payroll foots up  
about \$300 per month, besides other  
expenses which in the aggregate make  
a total of about \$1,000 monthly.

During Dr. Booker T. Washington's  
trip through the state of Tennessee in  
1909 the inspection of Mr. Franklin's  
establishment and the comment upon  
the remarkable ingenuity displayed  
by him in the manufacture and de-  
sign of funeral cars of every de-  
scription will perhaps be remembered  
by the individual members of that  
party as one of the most notable fea-  
tures connected with the whole trip.

His worth as a business man has en-  
deared him to the people of the com-  
munity. He has been called to places  
of honor and trust time and again.  
That "worth is the measure of  
power" is one of the pet theories in his  
business and household. "Everybody  
works—and father," is his facetious  
paraphrase of the latter day slang, and  
in his establishment and household  
this trite saying is carried out. Mrs.  
Franklin is a valuable assistant to him  
in all his interests, and his son, Ben-  
jamin H. Franklin, is also a licensed  
embalmer, rendering efficient service.

It is well to call attention to the fact  
that Mr. Franklin's unparalleled suc-  
cess is the result of close application  
to business and of hard work and that  
other individuals can succeed by the  
same methods.

He has not allowed his success to  
turn him away from a proper consid-  
eration of the value of conscientious  
effort in church and educational ac-  
tivities, as is often the case with some  
successful men. He is one of the most  
influential men in the Wiley Avenue  
Methodist Episcopal church, of which  
the Rev. J. W. Tate was the recent  
pastor. His counsel is sought and re-  
spected in everything that pertains to  
Negro life in the community.

For usefulness to his people in a sub-  
stantial way and for a concrete exam-  
ple of the efficiency of the time hon-  
ored principles of honesty, persever-  
ance and efficiency Mr. Franklin has  
but few equals in our racial life.

### Support Men of Right Principles.

In speaking of political matters per-  
taining to Minnesota, Editor Charles  
A. Smith of the Twin City Star, Min-  
neapolis, says:

The negroes do not have to follow  
the regular nominee of the Republican  
party because he is a Republican. They  
vote for the man with the right prin-  
ciples and purposes.

### CENTURY OF ACTIVITY.

New York African Society For Mutual  
Relief Elects New Officers.

Perhaps the oldest organization for  
mutual uplift among our people in the  
United States, secret societies excepted,  
is the New York African Society  
For Mutual Relief, with headquarters  
in New York city.

The society was founded and a  
charter issued to those forming the  
nucleus to the organization in 1807.  
During the anti-slavery agitation and  
through the civil war the society ren-  
dered valuable assistance to the oper-  
ators of the underground railroad, and  
also during reconstruction days, when  
at times it was found to be quite un-  
safe for many of our people even in  
New York.

Edward V. C. Eato, who is one of  
the best known men in the north  
among members of the Grand United  
Order of Odd Fellows and in Masonic  
circles, has been president of the so-  
ciety continuously for twenty-five years.  
At the recent annual election of offi-  
cers Mr. Eato declined the use of his  
name.

The newly elected officers of the so-  
ciety are: President, Charles H. Lan-  
sing, vice president, Henry Cunningham;  
secretary, S. Williams; board of  
directors, William Russell Johnson,  
chairman; William C. Green, Charles  
T. Smith, James Conk and Vernon  
C. Murray.

### UNIQUE ORGANIZATION AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE.

Brooklyn's Friendly Society Seeks  
Good of All the People.

The Halloween social given by the  
Young People's Friendly society of  
Brooklyn was one of the most enjoy-  
able events of the Halloween season.  
Jerome A. Loving presided over the  
literary program. Among those who  
took part were Miss Lulu Brown, Miss  
U. Hall, Charles Hensen and James  
Brown.

In keeping with the old Dutch cus-  
tom of celebrating Halloween the  
pleasure committee introduced a num-  
ber of unique plays and games, which  
gave the members and invited guests  
a very clear idea of how the event is  
observed in Dutch society. The social  
was therefore instructive as well as  
pleasing.

The Young People's Friendly society  
was organized a year ago by Mrs.  
George Phillips, with whom the idea



CHARLES HENSEN.

originated. The primary object of the  
society is to cultivate friendly rela-  
tions between the young people of the  
community, especially those belonging  
to the various churches. While the  
movement originated with Mrs. Phillips  
and other members of the Siloam Pres-  
byterian church, denominational lines  
are eliminated.

The monthly social gatherings of the  
society are well attended, and it is  
building up a friendly social union  
among the young people of the com-  
munity in a manner never before un-  
dertaken by any similar organization  
or yet by individuals. Mrs. Phillips  
deserves much credit for the unselfish  
spirit which she has infused into the  
organization and the many sacrifices  
which she has personally made for its  
success.

Mr. Charles Hensen is one of the or-  
ganization's most helpful members.  
He is a staunch Baptist as to religious  
faith, and his affiliation with the  
Friendly society is a good illustration  
of the kind of work the organization  
seeks to accomplish. The social was  
held at the residence of Miss Rose  
Buchanan, who is one of the charter  
members and a recognized leader  
among the younger social element in  
the community.

### Educational Interest in Illinois.

The Illinois section of the national  
educational congress in Springfield  
has elected the following state officers  
for one year: President, Dr. J. H.  
Magee of Springfield; vice president,  
Dr. E. T. Cottman of Springfield; cor-  
responding secretary, Professor E. A.  
Hamilton of Springfield; recording sec-  
retary, S. J. Williams of Monmouth;  
treasurer, Rufus Nelson of Chester.

### Coming Event For Virginia Teachers.

The principal topic in educational cir-  
cles among the great hosts of public  
school teachers in South Side, Va., at  
the present time is the coming meet-  
ing of the Colored Schoolteachers' in-  
stitute, which is to be held at South  
Boston, Va., on Friday, Nov. 18. The  
sessions will be held in the First Baptist  
church.

## CLERGYMAN WHO MADE FORTUNE

Nashville Pastor Donated Church  
and Serves Without Salary.

### PROMOTER AND BENEFACTOR.

The Rev. Preston Taylor, Founder of  
Greenwood Park and Leader in  
Many Good Movements For Racial  
Advancement, Has Done Much Prac-  
tical Work in a Quiet Way.

The Rev. Preston Taylor of Nash-  
ville, Tenn., has perhaps contributed  
more to the welfare of our people in  
the community in which he lives than  
any other member of the race in Ten-  
nessee. That is saying a great deal of  
one man, for it will be remembered  
that in Nashville live a long list of our  
people who have national reputations.

This is no disparagement of men like  
Dr. R. F. Boyd, Hon. J. C. Napier, Dr.  
R. H. Boyd and Benjamin J. Carr nor  
of any of those men who have labored  
for the welfare of their people and  
who are yet doing it.

Rev. Mr. Taylor has not been in the  
limelight. He has worked steadily on  
until now he is one of the most pros-  
perous Negroes in the south, being va-  
riously rated at from \$75,000 to \$100,-  
000. He has been identified with every  
laudable enterprise begun in Nashville  
and stands in the remarkable attitude  
of being the pastor of a large church  
without accepting any salary.

The church edifice in which the Lee Ave-  
nue Christian church worships is the  
gift of his pastor, Rev. Preston Taylor.  
He is the one Afro-American living  
who, having made a fortune out of  
his people, gives largely of that fortune  
to their own uplift.

The story of the establishment of  
Greenwood park and Greenwood cem-  
etery makes interesting reading. It was  
through many hardships and adversi-  
ties that the colored people of Nash-  
ville have what is in every respect the  
finest and best appointed burial ground  
in the south. There is no white cem-  
etery in Nashville that surpasses  
Greenwood for beauty. It is kept in  
shipshape order at an enormous ex-  
penditure.

At Greenwood park our people have  
every facility for amusement and  
quietude that can be found in any  
other park in the city, and it was only  
by the expenditure of about \$5,000 out  
of his own pocket the past summer,  
which was necessary to construct the  
roadway and purchase right of way,  
that the Rev. Mr. Taylor was able to  
get the street railway company to ex-  
tend its lines to the park.

As a consequence the Tennessee  
state fair for the first time was placed  
on a paying basis, and now the colored  
people of the city flock to Greenwood  
park in the warm summer evenings.

Rev. Mr. Taylor has performed a sig-  
nal service to the colored people of  
Nashville in the maintenance of Green-  
wood park. There one finds the usual  
amusements to be found in other  
parks—a miniature zoo, the merry-go-  
round, skating rinks, shooting galleries  
and an auditorium and grand stand.

The colored state troops hold their  
annual encampment in Greenwood  
park. The state fair is also held there.  
Plans are now on foot to establish a  
national Chautauqua for six weeks  
during the summer under the direction  
of Bishop Evans Tyree.

### SAVANNAH BAPTIST HIGH SCHOOL CHANGES NAME

To Forest City and Adds New Depart-  
ment of Instruction.

On Monday, Oct. 31, the Savannah  
Baptist high school in Savannah, Ga.,  
opened a night school in connection  
with the regular day courses of in-  
struction. The night school section will  
be in charge of competent instructors,  
and students will receive the same  
careful attention in this department as  
those attending the day classes.

The school has changed its name to  
Forest City high school, but it still  
located on the same site, at East Broad  
and Anderson streets. The growth of  
the school is in every way satisfactory,  
and the faculty is much pleased to  
be able to open the night classes for  
the benefit of those who cannot con-  
veniently attend at any other time.

In connection with the evening  
classes there will be a course for those  
who desire to and who are doing mis-  
sionary and settlement work in Savan-  
nah and elsewhere. The course of  
study will embrace briefly the life of  
Christ and of St. Paul and other works  
bearing on sympathetic instruction  
with a view to community work in the  
racial districts.

There is a large field for this kind  
of work in the state, and we are  
pleased to know that the high school  
is taking the lead in bringing about  
better conditions by preparing and  
sending out persons of trained minds  
as leaders and teachers of truth, reli-  
gion and morality.

Intelligent leadership begets intelli-  
gent followers, and the sooner this  
method is adhered to by all classes of  
persons the better it will be for the  
masses of people who need direction  
as well as instruction. The hope of  
any race, no matter what its environ-  
ments may be, lies largely in the eleva-  
tion of the masses along all lines of  
righteous endeavor.

## Appointed Supreme Vice Chancellor

New Orleans, La.,—Supreme Chan-  
cellor Green, of the Knights of  
Pythias, has named Jos. L. Jones, of  
Cincinnati, Ohio, Supreme Vice Chan-  
cellor, to succeed the late J. W.  
Strauther. Since the death of Mr.  
Strauther the members have evinced  
great interest in the selection of his  
successor.

The new Supreme Vice Chancellor  
is one of the leading citizens of Cinci-  
nnati and is prominently identified  
with the order.

This week Mr. Green forwarded Mr.  
Jones the following letter:

Sir Joseph L. Jones,  
N. E. cor. 8th and Plum streets,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Dear Sir and Brother:—

A vacancy having occurred in the  
office of the Supreme Vice Chancellor  
and ex-officio Supreme Worthy Coun-  
sellor by the death of Sir John W.  
Strauther on Oct. 13, 1910, and as Ar-  
ticle III, Section 1, paragraph D, page  
8, of the revised constitution of the



ADJUTANT JOSEPH L. JONES.

Knights of Pythias of North America,  
South America, Europe, Asia, Africa  
and Australia, the Supreme Lodge  
thereof, authorizes the Supreme Chan-  
cellor to fill any vacancy in the Su-  
preme Lodge by appointment until  
filled by regular election.

Therefore, I, S. W. Green, Supreme  
Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias  
aforesaid, do hereby appoint, and con-  
stitute you, Joseph L. Jones, Supreme  
Vice Chancellor and ex-officio Su-  
preme Worthy Counsellor of the Or-  
der of Calanthe, to fill said vacancy  
until filled by regular election.

Done at my office at New Orleans,  
La., first day of November, A. D. 1910.  
S. W. GREEN,  
Supreme Chancellor.

Mr. Jones is Adj. Gen. of the Uni-  
form Rank, editor of the Pythian  
Monitor, and a vice-president of the  
Ohio Republican League. Some years  
ago he founded the Central Regalia  
Company of which he is manager.  
For years he has been identified with  
every progressive movement in Ohio.  
His mother is a prominent teacher in  
the city schools and Mr. Jones himself  
is the head of a devoted family. He  
owns a beautiful home on Walnut Hills.

## New K. P. Building

Work on the new Knights of Pythias  
hall, on the corner of Walnut and  
Senate avenue is progressing rapidly,  
and plans are now being perfected for  
the laying of the corner-stone on Sun-  
day, Dec. 4th. Every Pythian in In-  
diana is a booster for this big event,  
and no pains will be spared to make it  
a crowning day for the Negroes of In-  
diana. Nothing like this beautiful  
structure costing over \$30,000 can be  
seen in any northern city, and every  
race loving man, woman and child can  
feel a pride in its erection.

Grand Chancellor Tidrington will  
officially assist by Supreme Chan-  
cellor S. W. Green, of New Orleans, Maj.  
Gen. R. R. Jackson of Chicago, Su-  
preme Attorney S. A. T. Watkins of  
Chicago, Supreme Vice Chancellors Jos.  
L. Jones of Cincinnati, Mrs. C. A.  
Curl of Chicago, and other prominent  
members of the order.

The full program of the event will  
be completed next week. The pro-  
gram and corner stone laying services  
will be under the direction of the pre-  
siding officers of all lodges, courts and  
uniform rank, with Sir J. N. Shelton  
chairman. The name of every indi-  
vidual and lodge owning stock will be  
placed within the corner stone as a  
future record. The Temple Broom-  
committee with Sir W. C. Brown,  
chairman, will arrange for a reception  
and banquet on Tuesday night, Dec.  
6, at Tomlinson hall. A general meet-  
ing is called for Sunday at 3 p. m. at  
Marion lodge hall, to which all Pythi-  
ans are invited. The directors urge  
all Pythians to pay for their stock at  
once.

### Grand Chancellor Cresswill Dead.

C. D. Cresswill, Grand Chancellor  
of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E. A., A. and A. of  
Georgia, died in Georgia this week.  
While he has been subject to drastic  
spells of sickness, his death at this  
time was unexpected.

He stood high in Pythian circles,  
being a member of the Committee on  
Law and Supervision of the Supreme  
Lodge. He recently attended a meet-  
ing of that Committee in Chicago, Ill.  
He was spoken of as a candidate for  
the position made vacant by the death  
of John W. Strauther.

## Race Needs Unity and Enterprises

Negro organizations and Negro en-  
terprises are in order and must be the  
password and blood sprinkled over ev-  
ery Negro door-post in America. The  
white man is not jealous of Negro en-  
terprises, as reported by many of the  
race. It is he himself who makes the  
distinction and creates jealousy and  
narrowness against his fellow man.  
The respectable white man every-  
where he is in accord with the indus-  
trious Negro who is trying to do  
something that he can call his own.

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better than to see the Negroes, doing  
business among themselves. Many a  
white man does business with them,  
not for the money he gets from them,  
but simply for humanity's sake. We  
see so many instances where the Ne-  
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## News From Nearby Towns

## WASHINGTON.

Household of Ruth gave a successful entertainment Tuesday night. The K. of P. held an entertainment at Castle Hall Friday night. The Ideal club met with Mrs. Carrie Carlisle Tuesday. The following program was rendered: Paper, "The effect of music upon the mind," Miss Mamie Long; solo, Mrs. Juanita Hawkins; paper, "True Friendship," Mrs. Lawhorn. Mrs. Charnier Hawkins returned home after a week's visit in Indianapolis. The Ideal Club will observe Women's Day Sunday Nov. 13th at Beulah A. M. E. Church. A fine program has arranged. Mr. and Mrs. Gainer entertained a few friends at six o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for eight. The rally at A. M. E. Church Thursday Nov. 4th netted \$61.84, and the Quarterly meeting Sunday was a success spiritually and financially. Total amount raised \$196.07. Smith Hawkins has gone to Indianapolis for an indefinite stay. The Ladies of Second Baptist Church will give a concert soon under the direction of Mrs. Minnie Simmons. Rev. R. H. Williamson is an efficient pastor and is proving himself to be just the right man for Washington.

## RICHMOND

The members of Ninth street Baptist Church are preparing for a ten days financial meeting beginning Nov. 17th. They will also serve dinner and supper Thanksgiving day. On Nov. 27th they will have a rally for the bricks to be used in repairing the church. Rev. C. C. Goins is the efficient pastor of this church. Bethel A. M. E. Sunday School, with Mr. James Bailey as superintendent and Rev. Geo. Sampson as general superintendent, is now in the same progressive state as it was six years ago. The teachers of the classes are as follows: Class No. 1, Rev. Sampson; class No. 2, Mrs. M. A. McCurdy; class No. 3, Ellsworth Gordon; class No. 4, Miss Sarah Utley; class No. 5, Miss Faustina Carter; class No. 6, Miss Marjorie Goins. It would do the progressive worker good to see how each one of the teachers vie one with the other in membership and finance, all due to the expressed desire of the pastor to have the Sunday School become second to none in the district. We are confident that the superintendent of the district, Mr. Thaddeus Smith, would be welcome at any time. Class No. 2, desiring to become a benefit to the church as well as the Sunday School, has organized into a league known as the Pride of Bethel, with the following officers: President, Mrs. M. A. McCurdy; vice president, Mrs. Viola Bass; secretary, Miss Myrtle Baker; treasurer, Miss Bessie Burden. At the first meeting of the league our servant, Myrtle Baker, was made reporter of your most excellent journal, known as the Indianapolis Recorder. At the present classes number 2 and 4 are banner classes.

## ROCKVILLE.

The pastor has announced the annual election of trustees for the A. M. E. Church Wednesday November 16th. Mrs. R. B. Harris has returned from a visit in Rushville. Joseph Russell and James Janes of Bloomington attended services Sunday morning at Allen Chapel Sunday. The following officers were elected by the Sunday School board to superintend the work of the Sunday School of Allen Chapel: Supt., John Wray; assistant supt., Mrs. G. A. Ratliffe; sec., Halie Peoples; assistant sec., Helen Tyler treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Gaskins; librarians, Roscoe Wray and Allen Boyd; chorister, Miss Cox; organist, Gordon Janes. Teachers: Class No. 1, W. H. Fisher; class No. 2, Miss M. Mahorney; class No. 3, Mrs. Belle Harris; class No. 4, Miss Hattie Whartan and class No. 5, Miss Bertha Wray. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph West went to Indianapolis Sunday on a visit to her mother. Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Ratliffe entertained the B. T. Washington club Friday afternoon Nov. 4th. The club was entertained Friday of this week by Mrs. Mary Moore. The meeting held at Allen Chapel every Sunday evening are conducted by the W. M. M. S. One is selected at each meeting to read a paper at the next meeting to read a paper for the next meeting. Mrs. R. B. Harris read a paper last Sunday evening subject, "Has your life been a success in winning souls for Christ?" Mr. W. H. Janes will read a paper tomorrow evening. The Stewardship board have appointed Ada Curtis chairman of the board and Miss Celia Hanner secretary of the board. Arrangements are being made for a big Thanksgiving supper at the A. M. E. Church.

## JEFFERSONVILLE

Mrs. Jennie Carter and daughter of Midway, Ky., are in the city visiting her mother Mrs. Eliza Williams. Rev. Clark of the North Carolina Conference visited friends in the city last Monday. Mrs. Hannah Jones is confined to bed with neuralgia. Mrs. Callie Jones of Louisville was in the city last week visiting her sister Mrs. Chas. Marshall. Wesley Chapel realized \$61.50 from the rally last Sunday. Mrs. Musetta Harper of New Albany visited friends in the city last week. The friends of Mrs. J. O. Oglesby are glad to have her with them again and to know she is rapidly improving. The Enterprising Mercantile Grocery is doing a lucrative business under the management of Mr. William Owens. A mock conference was held at the Indiana Avenue Baptist Church last Monday night under the management of Mrs. Mary Washington of New Albany, and \$60 was realized. The Hungry Hollow district with Mrs. Mollie Johnson as Presiding Elder was in the lead.

## HAUGHVILLE.

One of the happiest persons we know is Mrs. Nannie Tabor who was presented last week with a beautiful upright Howard piano, by her son Mr. Virgil Sullivan, who is home for an all winter's visit. He is a member of the Carolinian Comedy Co., which is playing at Crown Garden this week. Arthur Stokes of Omaha, Nebraska is in the city for an extended visit with his mother Mrs. Ada Stokes in W. 17th street. He is a bosom friend of Mr. Sullivan and a member of the same company. The Ladies Missionary society of St. Paul Church met with Mrs. Ashworth this week; that of Caldwell Chapel with Mrs. Primus. The Swastika club met with Mrs. Olivia Mitchell last Friday. A special Missionary program was rendered Sunday at Caldwell's Chapel. Mrs. Virgie White's paper was excellent and highly complimented. Lonnie Whitney is still suffering with his foot. Mrs. Mattie Granison is indisposed. Mrs. Nellie Pettiford has returned from a visit in Carthage. There was a social at the residence of Elmer Tabor last Saturday night and Kentucky oysters were served. Rev. A. J. Shockley is desirous of a successful rally the fourth Sunday in this month. Mrs. Gertie Johnson has organized a Bible class and Mrs. Josie Waldron a boys class in the Sunday school. J. F. Durin has added a neat office to his focal yard. We wish him success. The Tom Thumb wedding was splendid. The children were well trained by Miss Artie Griffin who deserves much praise.

## MICHIGAN CITY.

Bishop C. T. Shaffer will be the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Allen, 115 Barker avenue, during his stay here. The marriage is announced of Miss Margaret Stanard, daughter of Mrs. Harriett Stanard to Mr. John W. Owens, of Cleveland, O., the wedding to take place, Nov. 22. Mrs. Lottie Outland is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Keemer, 215 Wabash street. The Missionary society will hold their next meeting, Friday, Nov. 25, will Mrs. Horace Hayes, 113 Erie street. Mr. E. Fowler of Lansing, Mich., was the guest of Mrs. Keemer, a few days. Mrs. Levi Burton, of Kokomo, has joined her husband here for future residence.

## WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY

The Junior and Senior girls dormitory will soon be completed. Two new tennis courts have been erected for the benefit of the ladies and gentlemen. The Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior and Seniors are preparing for a great class football game. The orchestra directed by George Jones will soon render some of its many classic pieces in Galloway Hall. The music talent of J. Hatcher is noted by the faculty and students. He has written and published three classic and religious sheets of music in one year. The mother of Brodie Pruitt, who has been visiting him here at the University returned home this week. Mr. Pruitt is one of the proprietors of the College Inn. The conquering team Wilberforce is due to the captain Mr. Nelson, who practices his team by moonlight and sunrise. The Y. M. C. A. building will be completed by January 1911. The students of college courses often refer to Prof. W. S. Scarborough's Greek book which is being used in Harvard University. The students voted a straight Republican ticket at the polls Tuesday. Many speeches were delivered by the politicians of Xenia, Ohio.

## NEW ALBANY

John Woods remains ill at his home. Misses Anna Walker and Angeline Wright visited friends in Louisville Sunday. L. Mansfield is very ill at the residence of his mother Mrs. Harry Laforce in Hildreth street. James Russell and Miss Bertha Taylor were married Saturday night. Mrs. Rosie Miller of Clarksville, Tennessee visited Miss Maggie Thomas in 6th street. Mrs. S. Richardson has gone to Kentucky to redeem her father's property which has been lying idle for twenty years. Miss Eva Perry spent Saturday afternoon with her sister Mrs. Frank Simpson, who had just recently married. The Missionary meeting which was held at Howard Chapel last Sunday afternoon was largely attended. Rev. H. Scott preached an interesting sermon. A party was given by Mr. and Mrs. David Russell Friday evening at their residence in State avenue in honor of their nephew Robert T. Russell. Messrs. Willie Stratford and Henry Stith of Louisville visited Miss Mary Woods, 315 Galt street. Mrs. Arletta Vaughn of Russellville, Ky., visited Mrs. M. E. Washington last Sunday. Mrs. Mary Smith attended revival services at Prospect, Ky., Friday night. Miss Ruth Brown of 750 W. 7th street, who has been quite ill is much improved. Mrs. Patsy Chambers and Katie Simms of Simpsonville Ky., visited Mrs. Lula Bell 517 5th street last week. The Ivy Embroidery club held their annual services in Second Baptist Church last Sunday. It was a fine gathering of many of the best people of the city to hear a very talented speaker in the person of Mrs. Bessie Jones of Louisville, and that prince of singers, Mr. Roland Hayes. His rendition of, "He hath redeemed me," was the first sermon in song that we have had the pleasure of hearing for some time. Who said that Mt. Vernon couldn't come back? Morris Hickman of St. Paul, Minnesota, who has been in our city for a week has returned to his home where he is a clerk in the post office. While here he was getting information concerning "Morgan's Raid." He got it first handed at 216 Cherry street.

## GARY

The Men's Sunday club held a very interesting meeting last Sunday. The subject, "How can the Negro of Gary become a business man?" was discussed. A very large number of lady visitors were present, and for their benefit the following program was rendered: Address, S. J. Duncan; selection, M. S. C. Quartette; address, Mrs. H. Clifton; instrumental duet, Mrs. Ourster and Master Arthur; closing remarks, W. P. Offutt. Nov. 13th they will discuss, "Can the Negro of Gray afford social discrimination?" Miss M. G. Richardson has moved to 17th and Jefferson street where she expects to open a dressmaking establishment. Abraham L. Poyard was in Lafayette visiting his father last week.

## FT. WAYNE.

Rev. Amey of the A. M. E. Church will preach at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at the rally services. The Laura Thurman W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Amey last Friday. The Missionary Circle of Mt. Olivet Church is increasing in attendance. They met with Mrs. S. Carter in Webster street Thursday.

## LOGANSPOUT

Mrs. Parthenia Taylor entertained at dinner Sunday Rev. J. M. Town send and Mrs. Blanche Turner. Mrs. Henrietta Allen entertained at dinner Sunday Mesdames Retta Moss, L. G. Brooks and Clayborn Lewis. Club No. 3, with Janet Jones captain served dinner and supper Tuesday at the Odd Fellows' Hall. It being election day quite a neat sum was raised. Our Sunday School is progressing nicely with Mrs. Geo. Allen as superintendent. Rev. Townsend has organized a Bible Class which is well attended.

## VINCENNES.

The Ladies Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. E. Goines Thursday afternoon. The ladies of the Second Baptist Church gave an oyster supper last Tuesday evening and met with success. Last Sunday was Quarterly meeting at Bethel Church. Presiding Elder Long was present and preached an interesting sermon in the morning. Rev. Tolbert of Spencer, Ind., was present and preached in the evening. Mrs. Coleman of Muncie arrived in the city Saturday to visit a few weeks. Harry Ford who is attending the Lafayette Sanitarium returned to his home in Emerson station for a week's visit. Mrs. Frances Mayberry of St. Louis, Mo., enroute to her home in Mitchell, Ind., was in the city last week the guest of friends.

## NOBLESVILLE NOTES.

Last Sunday was Quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. Church. Rev. M. Lew is and Rev. Hutchings presided. D. W. Roper who has been sick for a week is reported better. Mrs. Isaac Vaughn continues ill. Mrs. Geo. Dempsey is much improved. Rev. F. F. Young of Indianapolis preached at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. M. Bassett. Mrs. James Colter and son Cyrus and Miss Mary Sanders were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lory of Anderson Sunday.

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Lesson VII.—Fourth Quarter, For Nov. 13, 1910.

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Text of the Lesson, Matt. xxiv, 32-51. Memory Verse, 44—Golden Text, Matt. xxvi, 41—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The greater part of this great discourse is recorded by both Mark and Luke as well as by Matthew. As they left the temple one day His disciples called His attention to the great buildings with the costly stones and gifts, and they were evidently greatly surprised by His remark that all would be thrown down and not one stone left upon another. Four of them came to Him privately as He sat upon the Mount of Olives and asked Him a question which was really threefold, though they probably thought it one. The destruction of the temple, His coming again and the end of the age were two, if not three, distinct events. In His discourse he covered the reply to all. The whole age until He shall come again will be characterized by wars, famines, pestilences and earthquakes, with increasing wickedness until it shall be as it was in the days of Noah.

In Luke xxi, 24, He very plainly referred to the approaching destruction of Jerusalem and covered this present age by the words, "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the gentiles until the times of the gentiles be fulfilled." With this verse we should associate Rom. xii, 25, 26. Many of the circumstances connected with the destruction of Jerusalem were foreshadowings of those at the end of the age, and the warnings are therefore similar. Verses 27-31 of our lesson chapter speak plainly of His coming in power and glory immediately after the great tribulation at the end of this age. The destruction of Jerusalem was in no sense His coming, for it is written in Psalm cii, 16, that when He shall appear in His glory He will build up Zion, not destroy it. He is coming again to restore all things of which the prophets have spoken (Acts iii, 21).

The events in the east today are most startling if considered in the light of verses 32-35 of our lesson and compel us to believe that the kingdom of God is again at hand after the long interval of its postponement during this age. The zeal and aim of Zionism, the new regime in Turkey, her favor to the Jews, a large part of the land given to Abraham (Mesopotamia) being now offered to them, and the unrest among the nations generally, all point to the approaching end of the age and the coming of the kingdom. How marvelously has the generation or race or nation of Israel been preserved for the fulfillment of all things (verse 34), and soon now shall they be recognized as a nation, perhaps under the suzerainty of Turkey, with Jerusalem as their capital. That will, however, mean for them the beginning of their great trouble (Jer. xxx, 7) ere Jerusalem shall become the throne of the Lord at His coming in glory to set up His kingdom. That Israel is God's fig tree as well as His vine, see Joel i, 7, and note the events of Joel ii in their order. The utter ungodliness of the days of Noah cannot be fully manifest until after the church is taken, but the manifestations already on every hand in church and state are most unmistakable. The war craze of nations, the unrighteousness of government in cities and states, the infidelity in the seminaries and in the pulpits, the disregard of God and His word everywhere, should compel us to cry, "Come, Lord Jesus." At the coming of Christ to the altar for His saints the true church shall be taken, all others left, but at the coming to the earth with His saints at the end of the age the tares shall first be gathered in bundles for the burning. "Ready" is the great word for us all, as we saw in a recent lesson. No unsaved person, whether moral or immoral, sober or drunken, drunken according to Isa. xxviii, 7, or xxix, 9, is ready except for the burning, the weeping and gnashing of teeth (verse 51; xxv, 41). The readiness necessary has been provided in Jesus Christ by His great atonement, His pure life, His death in our stead, suffering for our sins, His resurrection from the dead, and any who will not plead guilty and accept Him and His righteousness must perish and be separated from Him.

If we are redeemed and thus ready to meet Him we must never cease to watch and pray, lest the world, the flesh or the devil cause our light to fall or even to flicker, and we thus dishonor Him. "Faithful and wise" is the only motto that will enable us to be approved of Him (45). We must beware of saying or even of thinking, "My Lord delayeth His coming" (48), lest we be found careless and conformed in some measure to this present evil age. The oil of the next chapter must shine that men may see our good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven (Matt. v, 16). The only proper attitude of a child of God is "waiting for His Son from heaven," "looking for that blessed hope" (I Thess. i, 10; Titus ii, 13), and while thus expectantly waiting, aiming in all things to serve the living and true God. Ever ready to do whatever our Lord the King shall appoint (II Sam. xv, 15). "Ready to every good work" (Tit. iii, 1). "Ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."

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